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a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions; and

one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device.

- 2. The strap assembly of claim 1 wherein the shoulder strap device comprises a halter strap.
- 3. The strap assembly of claim 2 wherein the shoulder strap device further includes an additional strap that extends from the middle of the halter strap to the middle of the waist strap.
  - 4. (Withdrawn).

Once Amended) A strap assembly for supporting one or more mountable devices comprising:

a waist strap including first and second ends;

fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end;

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a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, wherein the shoulder strap device includes loop ends for threaded attachment with the waist strap; and

one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device.

6. (Cancelled).

7. (Once Amended) A strap assembly for supporting one or more mountable devices comprising:

a waist strap including first and second ends;

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fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end;

a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions; and

one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device, wherein the one or more front straps include a loop material and hook material for releasably securing the front strap to the shoulder strap device.

8. (Once Amended) A strap assembly for supporting one or more mountable devices comprising:

a waist strap including first and second ends;

fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end;

a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions; and

one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device,

wherein the mountable devices are selected from the group consisting of medical devices, tools and sporting goods equipment.

- 9. The strap assembly of claim 8 wherein the mountable devices are one or more drainage reservoirs.
  - 10. (Cancelled).
  - 11. (Cancelled).

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12. (Once Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable devices on an individual comprising:

positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps

adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, wherein the shoulder strap device comprises a halter strap, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device;

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mounting the one or more mountable devices to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps.

- 13. The method of supporting one or more mountable devices on an individual of claim 12 wherein the shoulder strap device further includes an additional strap that extends from the middle of the halter strap to the middle of the waist strap.
  - 14. (Withdrawn).

15. (Once Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable devices on/an individual comprising:

positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, wherein the shoulder strap device includes loop ends for threaded attachment with the waist strap, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device;

mounting the one or more mountable devices to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Once Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable devices on an individual comprising:

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positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device, wherein the one or more front straps include a loop material and hook material for releasably securing the front strap to the shoulder strap device;

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mounting the one or more mountable devices to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps.

18. (Once Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable devices on an individual comprising:

positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device;

mounting the one or more mountable devices to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps, wherein the mountable devices are selected from the group consisting of medical devices, tools and sporting goods equipment.

19. The method of supporting one or more mountable devices on an individual of claim 18 wherein the mountable devices are one or more drainage reservoirs.

## REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are pending. Claims 4 and 14 are withdrawn from further consideration as being drawn to a nonelected species. By this Amendment, claims 1, 6, 10-11, and 16 are